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LETTER DATED 10 JUNE 1993 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF THE ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF IRAN TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

Upon instructions from my Government, I have the honour to transmit two notes verbales with attachments, dated 29 April 1993 and 3 May 1993, from the Interests Section of the Islamic Republic of Iran in Washington addressed to the Embassy of Pakistan, to be forwarded to the United States Department of State on the violation of the territory of the Islamic Republic of Iran by the forces of the United States of America in the Persian Gulf region.

It would be highly appreciated if this letter and its annexes were circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Kamal KHARRAZI
Ambassador
Permanent Representative

Annex I

Note verbale dated 29 April 1993 from the Interests Section of the Islamic Republic of Iran in Washington addressed to the Embassy of Pakistan in Washington

The Interests Section of the Islamic Republic of Iran in Washington presents its compliments to the Embassy of Pakistan and has the honour to quote the attached message, in two copies - the original text and an unofficial translation - received from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Islamic Republic of Iran. It is respectfully requested that the original text of the messages be transmitted to the United States Department of State and that the Interests Section be informed of its response.

Enclosure

According to information received from officials of the Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran, United States warships positioned in the Sea of Oman and the Persian Gulf have created a nuisance for Iranian sea-patrolling helicopters on the following dates and at the following times:

1. On 9 January 1993 at 1330 hours, a United States warship warned an Iranian oil company helicopter named SS, whose position was N2845 and E5005 and which was flying from Bushehr to Sakharin.

2. On 9 January 1993 at 1503 hours, a United States warship warned an Iranian oil company helicopter named BH, whose position was N2850 and E5000 and which was flying from Khark to Frouzan oil platform.

3. On 9 January 1993 at 1515 hours, a United States warship warned an Iranian oil company helicopter named TX, whose position was N2915 and E4945 and which was flying from Khark to Abuzar oil platform.

4. On 9 January 1993 at 1233 hours, a marine-type United States war-plane, which was flying at the position of N2620 and E5555, in spite of a warning by the regional radar at 1242 hours aggressed up to 6 miles into the 12-mile-zone waters of the Islamic Republic of Iran's territorial waters.

The Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran protests such unjustifiable actions by United States warships and insistingly demands that such actions, being contrary to the sovereignty and territorial integrity of the Islamic Republic of Iran, are stopped at once.

Annex II

Note verbale dated 3 May 1993 from the Interests Section of the Islamic Republic of Iran in Washington addressed to the Embassy of Pakistan in Washington

The Interests Section of the Islamic Republic of Iran in Washington presents its compliments to the Embassy of Pakistan and has the honour to quote the attached message, in two copies - the original text and an unofficial translation - received from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Islamic Republic of Iran. It is respectfully requested that the original text of the messages be transmitted to the United States Department of State and that the Interests Section be informed of its response.

Enclosure

According to information received from officials of the Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran, United States warships positioned in the Sea of Oman and the Persian Gulf have created a nuisance for Iranian aircraft and helicopters, and/or United States aircraft have intercepted Iranian sea-patrolling aircraft.

1. On 2 January 1993 at 1130 hours, a United States warship named FFG58-Samuel B. Roberts, which was travelling from south-west to south-east at a distance of six miles from Tonb island, violated innocent passage by flying a helicopter into flight.

2. On 10 January 1993 at 0945 hours, a United States warship warned an Iranian Navy helicopter whose position was N2830 and E5020.

3. On 10 January 1993 at 1110 hours, a United States warship warned two flying Iranian Navy helicopters whose position was N2820 and E5015.

Interceptions by United States aircraft

1. On 3 January 1993 at 1045 hours, a United States P3C aircraft at the position of N2507 and E5747 intercepted an Iranian sea-patrolling aircraft, whose position was N2507 and E5744, for a period of two minutes.

2. On 5 January 1993 at 1225 hours, a United States P3C aircraft No. 26 AQ, at the position of N2601 and E5246, intercepted at Iranian sea-patrolling aircraft for a period of 15 minutes.

3. On 6 January 1993 at 1120 hours, a United States P3C aircraft, at the position of N2540 and E5707, intercepted an Iranian sea-patrolling aircraft, whose position was N2540 and E5710.

4. On 16 January 1993 at 0944 hours, a United States P3C aircraft, at the position of N2540 and E5254, intercepted an Iranian sea-patrolling aircraft, whose position was N2540 and E5354, for a period of two minutes.

The Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran protests such unjustifiable actions by United States warships and insistingly demands that such actions, being contrary to the sovereignty and territorial integrity of the Islamic Republic of Iran, be stopped at once.